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Applicant: NARIHIRO et al. Conf.: 9156

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For: RUBBER COMPOSITION FOR TIRE TREAD

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May 20, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated February 2, 2005, response for which has been extended until June 2, 2005, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes: Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks.

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